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DO YOUR JOB: Senators Refusing to Work Should Return Oregonians' Hard-Earned Tax Dollars

SALEM, Ore - Today, the Oregon Senate voted to start requiring the ten Senators refusing to do their jobs to return Oregonians' hard-earned tax dollars. The fine amount is \$325, reflecting legislator's daily compensation. These fines will be imposed on all unexcused Senators each day a quorum is not reached.

Senate Majority Leader Kate Lieber (D-Beaverton & SW Portland) released the following statement in response:

"Oregonians who do not show up to work don't get paid. Senators who do not show up need to start returning the hard-earned tax dollars they do not earn. Our communities have urgent problems that require urgent action. Senate Democrats are here every day, ready to take action. Our colleagues in the House on both sides of the aisle are working hard too. It's time to deliver results for the people of Oregon."

Urgent Oregon issues threatened by this unconstitutional walkout include [historic investments in Oregon schools](#) and policies [addressing school safety and the education workforce shortage](#); [life-saving solutions to the opioid epidemic](#); [funding](#) and [proposals that will make our communities safer](#); [safe drinking water protections](#); [investments in combating the drought](#); and much more.

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